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B) BRASILIA 8322 - DECEMBER 7, 1973

C) BRASILIA 8645 - DECEMBER 20, 1973

D) BRASILIA 2968 - APRIL 26, 1974

E) BRASILIA 3158 - MAY 3, 1974

F) STATE 8559 - JANUARY 16, 1973

G) STATE 76411 - APRIL 16, 1974

1. AFTER CONSIDERABLE DIFFICULTY, WE FINALLY OBTAINED GOB APPROVAL FOR THE CHAIN VISIT ( REF E) BUT SIMILAR PROBLEMS FORCED THE CANCELLATION OF THE OREGON II VISIT ON TWO OCCASIONS. THE PROBLEMS ON CLEARANCE SEEM TO HAVE ARISEN PRIMARILY BECAUSE WE DID NOT SUPPLY COMPLETE INFORMATION SUFFICIENTLY FAR IN ADVANCE (REF F) AND/OR WE FAILED TO REPLY TO SPECIFIC REQUESTS FROM THE GOB IN A TIMELY FASION (REF E). ON A NUMBER OF OCCASIONS, WE HAVE HAD TO REQUEST EMERGENCY HANDLING FOR WHAT SHOULD BE A ROUTINE REQUIREMENT. AS OUR REF E INDIATES, QUOTE THERE IS A DEFINITE FEELING IN SENIOR QUARTERS IN THE FONOFF AND NAVY THAT US

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WAS HANDLING RESEARCH REQUESTS IN HIGH-HANDED MANNER UNQUOTE.

2. THE EMBASSY IS CONCERNED ABOUT THE DIFFICULTIES THAT HAVE ARISEN IN OBTAINING GOB CLEARANCE FOR VISITS OF SUCH RESEARCH VESSELS AS OREGON II AND R/V CHAIN. IN FULL INFORMATION ON RESEARCH VESSELS SUPPLIED IN TIMELY FASHION, WE ARE CONVINCED THERE WOULD BE NO PROBLEMS IN SECURING FUTURE APPROVALS. WE, THEREFORE, ARE OFFERING THE FOLLOWING RECOMMENDATIONS TO STANDARDIZE THE PROCEDURES FOR THE PURPOSE OF AVOIDING PROBLEMS:

A. US REQUEST FOR GOB CLEARANCE ON US PUBLIC VESSELS WISHING TO UNDERTAKE RESEARCH WITHIN BRAZILIAN CLAIMED WATERS SHOULD BE MADE SIX MONTHS IN ADVANCE OF THE VISIT. THE INITIAL REQUEST SHOULD PROVIDE ALL INFORMATION LISTED IN SECTION 8 OF BRAZIL DECREE LAW 63,164 OF AUGUST 26, 1968. IF THE DEPARTMENT DOES NOT HAVE A COMPLETE TEXT OF THIS LAW, THE EMBASSY, UPON REQUEST, CAN FURNISH COPY.

B. THE EMBASSY RECOGNIZES UTILITY OF USING THE GOB EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON AS A CHANNEL FOR SUCH REQUESTS. PAST EXPERIENCE HAS SHOWN, HOWEVER, THAT DELAYS OFTEN OCCUR IN TRANSMITTAL OF INFORMATION THROUGH THIS CHANNEL. WE HAVE, SEVERAL TIMES, BEEN ASKED BY FONOFF OFFICIALS FOR INFORMATION THAT THE EMBASSY HAD NOT RECEIVED. ACCORDINGLY, IN ORDER TO ASSIST IN EXPEDITING SUCH REQUESTS, BRASILIA SHOULD TELEGRAPHICALLY RECEIVE TEXT OF US NOTE REQUESTING CLEARANCES. COPY OF OUR NOTE AND THREE COPIES OF ANY LONG ANNEXES SHOULD BE FORWARDED, UNDER COVER OF AN AIRGRAM, TO BRASILIA. BRASILIA, VIA TELEGRAM, SHOULD BE NOTIFIED OF DATE OF TRANSMITTAL AND AIRGRAM NUMBER. UPON RECEIPT, EMBASSY WILL INFORMALLY TRANSMIT COPIES OF THE REQUEST DIRECTLY TO THE ACTION OFFICERS IN THE FOREIGN AND NAVY MINISTRIES. EMBASSY SHOULD BE KEPT COMPLETELY INFORMED ON ANY SUBSEQUENT ACTIONS RELATING TO EACH SPECIFIC REQUEST.

C. REQUESTS FOR ALTERATIONS IN THE PORT CALL SCHEDULE OF VESSELS DOING RESEARCH IN BRAZILIAN CLAIMED WATERS LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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AS WELL AS US PUBLIC VESSELS THAT WILL NOT BE UNDERTAKING SUCH RESEARCH BUT WISH TO CALL AT A BRAZILIAN PORT SHOULD BE MADE WITH A MINIMUM OF 30 DAYS NOTICE. SUCH REQUESTS MUST CONTAIN A DESCRIPTION OF THE VESSEL, NAME OF CAPTAIN, NUMBER OF CREW, NATIONALITY OF ALL ABOARD, AS WELL AS PORT CALL ITINERARY, PURPOSE AND DURATION OF CALLS. IF THE DEPARTMENT GOES THROUGH THE BRAZILIAN EMBASSY ON SUCH REQUESTS, THE EMBASSY

RECOMMENDS THAT THE SAME PROCEDURES AS DETAILED IN  
ABOVE PARAGRAPH B BE FOLLOWED.  
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